Mr. GERLACH (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today and the balance of the week on account of a serious family illness.

Mr. Weller of Illinois (at the request of Mr. Boehner) for today on account of personal reasons.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. MILLER of North Carolina) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. Woolsey, for 5 minutes, today. Mr. Defazio, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. Burton of Indiana) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. Poe, for 5 minutes, May 19 and 20.

Mr. Jones of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, May 19 and 20.

Mr. Flake, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. Franks of Arizona, for 5 minutes, today, May 14 and 15.

Mr. Hulshof, for 5 minutes, May 14. Mr. Moran of Kansas, for 5 minutes,

today and May 14.
Mr. DENT, for 5 minutes, May 14.

Mr. GILCHREST, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. Burton of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today, May 14 and 15.

Mr. Burgess, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. Tancredo, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. Ellison, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced her signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 2929. To temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GILCHREST. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 51 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 14, 2008, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6518. A letter from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, transmitting a copy of two Bureau publications entitled, "Consolidated Federal Funds for Fiscal Year 2006 (State and County Areas)" and "Federal Aid to States for Fiscal Year

 $2006\ensuremath{^{\prime\prime}};$ to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6519. A letter from the Under Secretary for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting in accordance with Section 647(b) of Division F of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY 2004, Pub. L. 108-199, the Department's report on competitive sourcing efforts for FY 2007; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6520. A letter from the Presidential Appointments Officer, Department of State, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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6532. A letter from the Human Resources Management Office, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's report on the use of the Category Rating System for calendar year 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3319(d); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6533. A letter from the Administrator, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the Office's report on competitive sourcing activities for FY 2007, in accordance with Section 647(b) of Division F of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, Fiscal Year 2004, Pub. L. 108-199; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6534. A letter from the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Potomac Electric Power Company, transmitting a copy of the Balance Sheet of Potomac Electric Power Company as of December 31, 2007, pursuant to D.C. Code section 43-513; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6535. A letter from the Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting statement of concern regarding the effectiveness of oversight for the National Railroad Retirement Investment Trust; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

6536. A letter from the Director, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting the Agency's Federal Entity Annual Report for FY 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act), section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6537. A letter from the Chief of Police, United States Capitol Police, transmitting the semiannual report of receipts and expenditures of appropriations and other funds for the period October 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008, pursuant to Public Law 109-55, section 1005; (H. Doc. No. 110-111); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

6538. A letter from the Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a designation pursuant to Section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1189; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6539. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Office of the Chief Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Determination of Availability of Coastwise-Qualified Launch Barges [Docket No. MARAD-2005-XXXXX] (RIN: 2133-AB67) received May 12, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6540. A letter from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Hazardous Materials Safety, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Hazardous Materials: Enhancing Rail Transportation Safety and Security for Hazardous Materials Shipments [Docket No. PHMSA-RSPA-2004-18730] (RIN: 2137-AE02) received May 12, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6541. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 30597; Amdt. No. 3260] received May 12, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6542. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 30596; Amdt. No. 3259] received May 12, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6543. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 30594; Amdt.